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## HONG KONG ELEVEN

### SKIPPER'S OPINION.

### Pereira's Lack of Stamina.

### TEAM ANALYSED.

The selection of the Hong Kong cricket eleven has been very satisfactory in all respects. If the batting is not quite all that might be desired, the attack is probably the strongest combination sent north during the last five years. The plumb Shanghai wicket is a batsman's paradise, and if the Hong Kong bowlers fail the team will return flagless. Cricketers, however, are confident that the side is the best eleven available, and their display against the United Services XI. on Saturday will be eagerly awaited.

From a very reliable source the *China Mail* learns that D. McLellan has been invited to make the trip as twelfth man. He will play in at least one match in Shanghai.

#### Captain's Opinion.

"We have a fairly well-balanced side with perhaps too many 'if' batsmen, but should they come off we should make a very fine score. An excellent fielding side has been selected and there is a good variety of bowling at my disposal," was E. J. R. Mitchell's comment on the selection.

The selection of an inter-port eleven has in the past been the butt of public criticism, and this year's selection will prove no exception. The omission of F. D. Pereira, Hong Kong's fastest bowler, will raise a storm of controversy. Supporters of N. A. E. Mackay, A. A. Rumjahn and E. Zimmern will be disappointed at their exclusion, and will be comparing their champions with others in the selected eleven. A member of the Selection Committee is in a most unenviable position; he cannot possibly please everyone.

Before dealing with the chosen few, one or two words on those who failed to gain recognition would not be amiss.

#### Lack of Stamina.

Pereira, who made such a name for himself in his first season in the Colony last year, has proved disappointing. He appears to tire all too quickly, though in his first few overs he is definitely very fast.

This season in order to be of use to his side he has adopted a change of style in his bowling whenever he begins to tire, and to this, perhaps, may be attributed his omission from the side. A fast bowler attempting slow leg breaks cannot possibly maintain the perfect length required for this dangerous ball without seriously affecting his natural delivery. Beck, on the other hand, maintains top speed throughout and never allows the batsman to settle down to an over or two which is not fast. There were only two fast bowlers in the running for a place and it can be taken for granted that Beck won his place through perseverance backed up by steadiness with the bat.

#### Zimmern Unsteady.

E. Zimmern commenced the season in a sparkling manner but later proved disappointing. A forcing batsman by nature, he is perhaps one of the hardest hitters in the Colony at the present moment, but his vulnerability in the first few overs sent down to him is so apparent that the selectors have been forced to pass him over. In addition to his batting, Zimmern is a very fair stumper.

N. A. E. Mackay, had he continued to keep wicket for Kowloon, would probably have walked into the side as a wicket-keeper batsman. He has scored over a thousand runs this season, but

## GRAFT REVELATIONS OF NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

### SENATOR'S SENSATIONAL EVIDENCE AT ENQUIRY

#### WRITERS PAID \$250,000 TO BOOST STOCKS FOR "RIGGING."

Washington, To-day.

Sensational evidence was given to-day before the Senate Committee which is investigating the conditions of the New York Stock Exchange.

Senator Fiorello La Guardia, representative of New York City, alleged that over \$250,000 was paid in recent years to financial writers to boost stocks with which brokers were "rigging" the market. — Reuter's American Service.

The investigation is being conducted at the instigation of President Hoover, and is the result of a public outcry against many nefarious practices carried out in stock market dealings. The question of "short-selling" is also being investigated.

#### NOT GUILTY.

#### Victoria Gap Murder.

#### TRIAL CONCLUDED TO-DAY.

The trial against Cheung Iu-wah, who is charged at the Supreme Court with the murder of Tsang Tai-kai, came to a close this morning. The jury, retired at 12.50 but returned again at 1.34 p.m., not having reached a verdict.

His Honour, Mr. Justice Wood, re-directed the jury to retire at 1.50 p.m. for further deliberation. Ten minutes later the jury brought in a verdict of "Not Guilty."

At the outset of his address to the jury, Mr. Somerset Fitzroy, defending counsel, recalled the point that was raised with regard to the condition of the writing material found at the scene of the crime. He said that when he raised that point he had no intention of making any allegation against the Police. He had been in contact with Chief Detective Inspector Reynolds long enough to know that he was above suspicion.

The next point counsel wanted the jury to consider was the indictment which accused his client with murder on February 18. That must be fully considered.

Mr. Fitzroy referred to his examination of Dr. Greaves with regard to the length of time that had elapsed between death and the holding of the autopsy. He submitted that such examination was of vital importance, and if it could not be shown that death took place on February 18, then the indictment failed.

What Dr. Greaves said in his evidence in chief was that death had occurred between 40 and 45 hours before the autopsy, yet when pressed he admitted that death could have occurred within 24 hours, and further pressed, admitted even 16 hours.

His death had occurred even 24 hours before the autopsy on the 20th—let alone 16 hours—then death could not have occurred on February 18, and the Crown's case must fall to the ground.

Further, Mr. Fitzroy pointed out that the Crown's case was based on (1) a statement made by the accused at the Magistracy, and (2) circumstantial evidence, the fact that a drop of blood was found on one of the accused's shoes.

The murdered youth's throat was so deeply cut that there must have been considerable blood all over the place, yet this man had only one drop on him. It made his hair stand on end when it was suggested to the jury that that drop of blood on the accused's shoe, they

should infer that he was concerned with the murderer.

The accused, according to Dr. Griffiths's evidence, had an injured finger, such that blood would drip from it. Therefore, was it not more probable that the blood on the shoe was a drop which had come from his injured finger.

#### Youth Cried Out.

The youth cried out when he found himself in the power of the gang, and in order to prevent attracting attention, the prisoner took out his handkerchief and stuffed it into the youth's mouth. His finger was bitten in the process and it bled. He put the bleeding finger into his handkerchief and sat down by the roadside.

Dr. Greaves had told Counsel yesterday that the stuffing of the handkerchief had nothing to do with death. That was all that the prisoner himself had done to the youth, and therefore he did not cause the youth's death.

He asked the jury to consider carefully all the circumstances when, he suggested, they would find that the Crown had not made out its case against the accused beyond all possible doubt, and as the accused was entitled to the benefit of even the slightest doubt, they must acquit him.

#### His Lordship's Remarks.

His Lordship agreed with Mr. Fitzroy that there must be no possible doubt and emphasised that an accused man was not guilty until proven to be, in spite of anything that came to the jury's mind before the trial started.

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## LINDBERGH BABY.

### Colonel Talks to Kidnappers.

#### INTERMEDIARY DISAPPEARS.

#### Secrecy Observed.

#### Hopewell, New Jersey, To-day.

Colonel Charles Lindbergh established personal contract with the kidnappers last week according to a high New Jersey State official, who states he conferred with the group that received the \$50,000 ransom.

Colonel Lindbergh now plans to meet Mr. Curtis, the ship-builder, on a boat off the Virginian Coast, to complete the negotiations for the return of the baby. Mr. Curtis who, with two others, is acting as intermediary with the kidnappers, disappeared this morning on a mysterious journey aboard a yacht. — Reuter.

#### INDIAN CRICKETERS AT WESTMINSTER.

#### Luncheon in House of Commons.

London, Yesterday. A complimentary luncheon was given to the members of the All-India Cricket Team in the House of Commons today, Lord Ebbisham, Vice-Captain of the House of Lords and the House of Commons Cricket Team, presiding. The Rt. Hon. Stanley Baldwin proposed the health of the guests and the Rajah of Purbunder replied. — British Wireless Service.

#### "HONOUR SLAYING" CASE.

#### Crowds Fill Court.

#### CROWN SEEKS GAOL PENALTY.

#### Honolulu, To-day.

A demand for the conviction of the accused in the "Honour Slaying" case, of second degree murder, carrying the sentence from one of ten years to life imprisonment, will be made by the prosecution in the final address in July.

The Court was crowded to-day, white women being sprinkled among the natives. Many sat all night outside the Court in order to secure front seats. — Reuter.

#### Figures in the Trial.

The outstanding figures in what is now known as the "Honour slaying" trial are Lt. Masse, Mrs. Fortescue and two other seamen. These four people are accused of having been concerned in the killing of a native.

Many of the first and second round games will be played off to-day. — Reuter.

London, To-day. The English Amateur Golf Championship to be held on Sandwich has drawn a record entry of 172 players.

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## ROUND HONG KONG'S CINEMA THEATRES

## OFFICIAL SOURCES.

## "STEPPING SISTERS."

A sparkling cast, a rollicking comedy replete with hilarious situations, and a number of musical novelties are the elements that combine to make "Stepping Sisters," the Fox picture showing at the King's Theatre to-day, what is said to be one of the most amusing farces to have come to the screen. The cast includes many well known personalities of the screen and stage, among them Louise Dresser, Minna Gombell, Jobyna Howland, William Collier, Sr., Howard Phillips, Ferdinand Munier, Stanley Smith, Barbara Weeks and Mary Forbes.

The plot of "Stepping Sisters" revolves around the exposure of a former burlesque chorus queen by two of her former associates in the show. They meet under unusual circumstances at an entertainment given for charity and all agree to keep secret the past of the one who has entered the realm of society and whose lavish Long Island home the fete is being given.

During the action of the picture, several new musical numbers and a singing and dancing novelty are introduced. "Stepping Sisters," based on Howard Warren Comstock's successful stage play, affords Miss Dresser, Miss Gombell and Miss Howland unusual opportunities for comedy and Collier is said to have a role tailored to his measure.

The picture was directed by Seymour Felix, famous as dance director of the biggest Broadway shows in New York previous to going to Hollywood to direct talking pictures.

## "SKYLINE."

While she believes in "Irish Luck," to a certain degree, Maureen O'Sullivan, radiant and charming screen actress featured in the Fox picture "Skyline," coming next Thursday to the King's Theatre, has more confidence in the efficacy of prayer.

Following her success in the McCormack picture "Song O' My Heart," Miss O'Sullivan played opposite another internationally famous figure, Will Rogers, in "So This Is London." Next she filled the leading feminine rôle opposite Charles Farrell in "The Princess And The Plumber." Then came "A Connecticut Yankee" wherein she again played opposite Will Rogers.

In "Skyline," she enacts the feminine lead, featured with Thomas Meighan, Hardie Albright, Myrna Loy and Donald Dillaway, under Sam Taylor's direction.

## "DELICIOUS."

Ten microphones, strategically suspended over the various sections of an 80-piece symphony orchestra were required to record George Gershwin's "New York Rhapsody," a symbolic successor to his world-famous "Rhapsody In Blue," to be introduced in "Delicious," newest Janet Gaynor-Charles Farrell Fox Film romance, coming soon to the King's Theatre.

This "multi-mike" recording marked an innovation in sound reproducing methods, and was made necessary by the complex melodic pattern of the work. One microphone alone could not handle with justice the abrupt changes, shadings and delicate harmonies of the symphony, it was found, and so the new system was developed.

Gershwin's magnificent new rhapsody, together with several

popular song numbers, are introduced as complementary incidents to the plot of "Delicious," which is an inspiring and thrilling romantic drama by Guy Bolton.

## "BLACK COFFEE."

Mystery stories have a strong attraction for all classes, and in "Black Coffee" which the Queen's Theatre is showing to-morrow, there is a holding mystery right to the very end. It is an Agatha Christie thriller concerning the murder of a scientist who was given hyoscine in his coffee. The identity of the murderer is hidden until the end of the picture, the construction of the drama leaving everyone in doubt during its development.

Austin Trevor plays the part of Hercule Poirot and Adrienne Allen is the feminine star.

## "SUSAN LENOX."

The answer to many a maiden's prayers is to be found in the teaming of Greta Garbo and Clark Gable in "Susan Lenox, Her Fall and Rise," which is showing at the Queen's Theatre.

It was a happy and wise decision that made the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer officials cast this engaging newcomer opposite the famous Swedish star. Gable is right at the top of the ladder in the estimation of fans and his work in the Garbo picture would seem to assure his early bid for stardom.

Garbo is magnificent as the heroine of the David Graham Phillips story, which Robert Z. Leonard directed. The famous novel was adapted for the screen by Wanda Tuchock with dialogue written by Zelda Sears and Leon Gordon. Modernized as it is, the dramatic regeneration theme makes ideal material for Garbo. In the opinion of this reviewer she accomplishes the greatest individual characterization of all her talkie efforts.

The supporting cast is noteworthy, including Jean Hersholt, John Miljan, Alan Hale, Hale Hamilton, Hilda Vaughn, Russell Simpson, Cecil Cunningham and Ian Keith.

## "THE MAD PARADE."

I have been in motion picture work for many years and I have played in stories that were packed with exciting incidents.

Productions in which I have played the leading feminine roles have presented innumerable situations where the action of the characters rose to great heights and where the playing of the scenes gave me the feeling that it was more real than "just making" a picture. But in all my years in the movies I never experienced such nervous reactions and such actual excitement as in "The Mad Parade."

In one of the scenes I was called upon to crawl on the ground, through trenches, shell holes, barbed wire entanglements and past ground charges of dynamite. It was one of the biggest thrills of my picture career.

It was a night scene. The action called for my running over No Man's Land, spotted with ground charges bombs. I started and the bombs began bursting. I was supposed to be knocked down by the first one and crawl the rest of the way, a distance of about 200 feet. Was that work? Well, if any movie fans have the idea that the making of all motion pictures is "pink tea," I hope they let them pass their own judgment whether they'd care to do it.

I crawled for a distance of about

100 feet with a supposedly injured arm, and unable to use that arm. Try it some time. Get down on your stomach and crawl over muddy, rough, shell-torn earth for a hundred feet or so with the use of just one arm.

I'd like especially for young girls ambitious to become movie stars to see those scenes. Here, in graphic description without the need of any words, folks will see and understand once and for all that the making of motion pictures is not all glory by a long shot. I doubt if any group of motion picture stars, which included Irene Rich, Louis Fazenda, Lilyan Tashman, Marceline Day, Fritzi Ridgeway, the Keating Twins and myself, ever worked in a picture where such downright courages was necessary and where such physical hardships were encountered.

Everyone of the girls was marvelous. Each did her bit like the bravest of the doughboys. I'll never forget those scenes as long as I live. They will stand out in bold relief as some of the greatest thrills in my career in picture making. "The Mad Parade" will be shown at the Central Theatre for the last time to-day. It's a picture that no one can afford to miss.

## "TO-NIGHT OR NEVER."

The canals of Venice, with gondolas floating in mysterious moonlit shadows, and the banks of the Danube at Budapest, lined with ancient palaces and throbbing with gypsy music, were both exactly reproduced by native experts in Hollywood, for the production of "To-night or Never," a United Artists picture, which comes to the Central Theatre to-morrow. It's a story of the romance between a Hungarian opera-singer and her mysterious American pursuer shifts from Italy to Hungary to furnish it with all the old-world charm desired by its author, the Hungarian Baroness Lili Hafvany.

The setting which Willy Pegany, internationally famous Hungarian artiste, designed for the wine-gardens on the banks of the Danube is said to be one of the most elaborate and successful illusions ever attempted on the screen. He invented totally new and revolutionary processes of achieving the effects of moonlight and running water in the process of building this scene.

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## RADIO

## TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station 2.J.W. on a wavelength of 855 metres (845 K.C.'s):—

5.7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.  
6.6.20 p.m.—Children's Concert.

7.10.30 p.m.—European Programme of Victor Records.

7.03.745 p.m.—Variety.

Orchestra—

Turkey in the Straw, The Irish Washerwoman, Victor Concert Orchestra (22131).

Song—Nightingale Song, Delta Baker (Soprano).

Vocal Duet—Listen to the Mocking Bird, Alice Green and Raymond Dixon (19889).

Song—Let me be Your Side Track, Rodgers' Puzzle Record, Jimmie Rodgers (23621).

Clarinet Solo—Friendless Blues, Douglas Williams (V-38031).

Song—Behind the Clouds, Gene Austin (Tenor).

Chorus—Just Around the Corner, The Revellers (19868).

Organ Solo—Always, Diana ... Jessie Crawford (20000).

8 p.m.—Local Time.

7.45-8.35 p.m.—A Concert.

Piano Solo—Aufschwung (Soaring) (Schumann), Tango (Albeniz), Wilhelm Bachaus (1445).

Song—The Last Rose of Summer (Moore), Robin Adair (Keppel), Frances Alda (Soprano) (1188).

Violoncello Solo—Intermezzo (Vivaldi), Serenata Napoletana (Sgambati), Pablo Casals (1542).

Song—Moonlight & Roses (Black-Moret), The Sweetest Call (Troon-Morrow), John McCormack (Tenor) (1092).

Violin Solo—Fair Rosemary (Kreisler), Rondino (Kreisler), Fritz Kreisler (1886).

Vocal Duet—Song of Love (Schubert & Berts), Lucy Isabelle Marsh-Royal Dadimus.

Song—Serenade (Schubert & Berts), Lambert Murphy (Tenor) (4013).

Piano Solo—Sous le Palmier (Under the Palms) (Albeniz), Cradle Song (Brahms), Alfred Cortot (1271).

8.35-9.30 p.m.—Operatic.

Song—Thais (Massenet)—Mirror Song (Dis-moi que je suis belle), Thais (Massenet)—Love Has Long Been a Rare Virtue, (L'amour est une vert rare), Maria Jeritza (Soprano) (1214).

Orchestra—Die Fledermaus (Johann Strauss)—The Hat—You and You, Chicago Symphony Orchestra (1481).

Song—Rigoletto (Verdi)—La donna è mobile, Rigoletto (Verdi)—Questa o quella, Enrico Caruso, Tenor (500).

Orchestra—La Bohème (Puccini)—Fantasia, Victor Symphony Orchestra (35871).

Song—Otello (Verdi)—Ave Maria, Otello (Verdi)—Willow Song, Elisabeth Reithberg (Soprano) (7398).

Vocal Trio—Tristian and Isolde (Wagner)—Kurvenal Hol Say, Kurvenal, D. Whiddop (Tenor), F. Fry (Baritone) and K. McKenna (Tenor) and the London Symphony Orchestra.

Orchestra—Tristian and Isolde (Wagner)—Prelude, London Symphony Orchestra (9265).

Song—Trovatore (Verdi)—Ah, si ben mio, Marta (Flotow)—M'appari, Enrico Caruso, Tenor (6002).

9.30-9.40 p.m.—Doctor Radio will

## SHADOWS BEFORE

## COMING EVENTS ADVERTISED IN CHINA MAIL.

## Social Functions.

To-day—Tea Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and King's Restaurant; Dinner Dances at Hong Kong, Peninsula, and Repulse Bay Hotels. Saturday—China Light & Power Recreation Club Concert, King's Park, enclosure, 9 p.m.

Entertainments.

To-day—King's Theatre: "Stepping Sisters."

To-day—Queen's Theatre: "Susan Lenox."

To-day—Central Theatre: "The Mad Parade."

To-day—Majestic Theatre: "Young As You Feel."

To-day—Star Theatre: "One Romantic Night."

Friday—King's Theatre; Alexander Brailowsky, Eminent Russian Pianist, 9.30 p.m.

Lammer's Auction.

To-morrow—At 27A, Nathan Rd., (1st floor), Kowloon, household furniture, 10.30 a.m.

Friday—At "Harford," 525, The Peak, household furniture, 10.30 a.m.

Home Malls.

To-morrow—Inward from Europe via Siberia (Calcutta Maru).

## THE OVERSEAS LEAGUE.

## Forthcoming Concert.

Encouraged by the success of the "At Home" held last year, the local branch of The Over-Seas League have decided to venture a little further afield in the way of entertainment and on May 6, the committee of the League have arranged for a variety entertainment to be held at the Helena May Institute.

The programme will consist of vocal and instrumental items, dancing displays, and two one-act plays.

An attractive feature of this special entertainment is the fact that of the artistes appearing one or two have not yet been heard by local audiences.

Although the evening has been specially arranged for Over-Seas League members, it is also open to the public, and tickets can be obtained from the Hon. Sec. of the League at the Helena May Institute.

The Over-Seas League, one of the best known British Institutions is doing extremely useful work in helping to keep alive the splendid traditions of the country, and the local branch in a small measure are helping the main body in this work. It is therefore hoped that their efforts in arranging the entertainment will receive whole-hearted support.

## give the 4th Clue of the Radio Treasure Hunt.

9.40-10.10 p.m.—

Sonata No. 9 in A Major (Beethoven, Op. 47), Played by Alfred Cortot & Jacques Thibaud (M-72).

1st Mvt.—Adagio sostenuto—Presto.

2nd Mvt.—Adante con variazioni.

3rd Mvt.—Finale—Presto.

10.10-10.28 p.m.—Musical Comedy.

Selections from "Good News".

Selections from "Funny Face".

Victor Arden-Phil Ohman & their Orchestra (35918).

Gems from "Follow That Man".

Gems from "Hold Everything".

Victor Light Opera Group (35970).

10.30 p.m. (approx.)—Close Down.

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batting is so much more reliable. Hunter, however, has plenty of time for his first blazer and, providing he can improve his batting, he should be in the running for the November Interport.

Comments have not been made on those who were definitely unable to make the trip. These included E. C. Fincher, A. Reid, L. T. Ride, D. J. N. Anderson, E. R. Duckitt, Capt. Mirehouse, Capt. Moir, Lt. Musson and S. R. Kermani.

The following are brief paragraphs on the selected players:

E. J. R. Mitchell  
(captain).

Educated at Bedford School the Hong Kong skipper was invited to play for Bedfordshire against the New Zealand touring eleven in 1927, but was forced to decline the invitation on account of residential qualification. In one particularly bright season he experienced to hit two half centuries against Bedfordshire Club and Ground in successive innings when playing for the Old Bedfordinians' XI. He played in club cricket for Keeley, Surrey, and was later asked to assist West Herts. In partnership with C. Blaker for the Hong Kong Cricket Club, Mitchell established a first-wicket League partnership in local cricket. The pair added 196 against the University, Mitchell claiming 80 odd; and in the same season the pair added 186 in 100 minutes against the Civil Service Cricket Club in a League match, Mitchell scoring 102.

This will be Mitchell's second blazer against Shanghai as he visited the Northern port in 1930, scoring 18 in the first innings out of a total of 141, and 14 not out in total of 56 for 4 in the second innings of that drawn encounter. The honour of captaincy could rest on no better shoulders, as he has fostered cricket in the Colony during the last ten years, and has given the younger generation a chance to establish their claims by the skilful way he has handled the Volunteers' XI.

G. R. Sayer  
(vice-captain).

Educated at Highgate School, which produced R. W. V. Robbins, Sayer enjoyed a splendid season at Oxford during 1907 when he gained a place in the Freshmen's Trial. In this important match he met with great success with the ball,

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the arrival of Hunter and his own aptitude towards batting crippled his chance of appearing as the best wicket-keeper and a sound batsman. He is, however, yet young, and there is plenty of time for his batting to improve so that and that alone will gain him recognition.

Rumjahn's Bad Luck.

A. A. Rumjahn, it is understood, was unable to make the trip if Pat Madar was selected. It is indeed unfortunate as Rumjahn is a very steady batsman and a useful slow bowler on occasion, besides being one of the best slips fieldsmen in the Colony.

E. L. Gosano would not have surprised many cricketers had he walked straight into the side this season. His batting is much sounder than it looks, and it is a wonder that he has not scored many more runs this season. He is young and a trifle impetuous, but his claims for recognition as an all-rounder on Shanghai's visit next November will not hastily be cast aside. His bowling, which is on the fast side, is a little erratic at the moment, but a little perseverance in this direction should better it beyond recognition. His fielding is one of the features of every game he plays in. His accuracy in returns to the wicket is little short of amazing.

McLellan's Error.

D. McLellan made the mistake of attempting to become an all-rounder instead of persevering with his bowling which showed excellent promise. It would not have come as a surprise had he been chosen, but his unsteadiness in batting let him down at a critical moment.

J. Hunter's poor batting form cost him his place in the side. As a wicket-keeper he is a shade better than Patterson, but the latter's

bowling googlies. Serious study, however, curtailed his cricketing abilities and he was unable to compete for a Blue during his residence there. He captained Queen's College, Oxford, for two seasons, and gained his Oxford Authentic cap. In 1906 he represented the Public Schools XI. at Lord's against the M.C.C.

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## Saturday's Race Entries.

### Weights Announced for Third Aggregate

Excellent entries, which should ensure big fields, have been received by the Hong Kong Jockey Club for the Fifth Extra Race Meeting to be held next Saturday afternoon. The entries are printed below:—

Mount Parker Handicap, "A" Class, 1½ miles.—Bag and Baggage (155lb.); Cyclamen Bay (150); Fortune Bay (140); Gay Crusader (148); Gold Key (148); Hetman (165); King's Justice (146); Sadko (155); Sitting Bull (163). Mount Davies Stakes, one mile.—Gold Ring (151); Just Imagine (145); White Heather (145); King's Norton (145); Ajax (146); Snappy Eva (147); Iloilo (145); Alexandra Hall (149); Cabinet Hall (145); Cebu (149); The Gadwall (147); Christmas Joy (147); Amos (145); Venus (145); Tommy Boy (147); Silver Belle (145); Toby (145); Kate (145); Mon Talisman (145); Merry Thought (145); Blue Star (153).

Tai-Mo-Shan Handicap, "D" Class, First Division, six furlongs.—Amon (147); Banjolina (140); Blue Love (144); Christmas Belle (150); Devon (140); Echo (140); Fighting Blood (140); Gallant Fox (140); Just Imagine (156); Little Gem (140); Mindoro (158); Mistletoe (140); Pure Music (144); Scrappit (140); Silver Bell (161); Siwash (155); The Shoveller (160); Toby (149); Valeta (140); Whoopee (140).

Tai-Mo-Shan Handicap, "D" Class, Second Division, six furlongs.—Buchanan (140); Cabinet Hall (140); Cebu (151); Chiu Quan (157); Choctaw II (140); Christmas Joy (155); Cy-pres (145); De Bon (140); Espy (140); Fritillary (140); Glorious Stag (152); Gold Bar (140); Helvellyn (157); New King (140); Sonny Boy (140); Sunbeam (140); Sunning (152); The Gadwall (166); The Rainstorm (140); Until Then (140); Valley Hall (145).

Charters Towers Handicap, one mile 171 yards.—Evening Star (165); Fritz (150); Kobibel (late Winter's Tale) (152); The Raindrop (170); Wotin (165); Canny (135); Gold Digger (125); Joaquin (120); Kilrea (160); Reetha (150); The Rainbow (135); Tin Tac (120); Westland Stag (146).

If the Top Weight does not accept, all weights to be raised by 5 lb.

Third Aggregate Stakes, one mile.—Bag and Baggage (148);

### SOUTH AFRICAN TENNIS.

#### Davis Cup Players Out of Championships.

#### TWO BIG SURPRISES.

(P.A.F.S.)

Johannesburg, March 31. The defeat of the 1931 members of the South African Davis Cup team in the South African lawn tennis championships has confounded all the experts. Ranked No. 4, C. J. Robbins knocked out South Africa's No. 1, Louis Raymond, in the second-round, and in the semi-final, Robbins defeated Norman Farquharson, the old Cambridge Blue.

Robbins will meet Max Bertram, the 21-year-old player who made his name when he reached the final last year and then lost to Raymond. This year Bertram repeated his victory over Kirby, who played well in England last season, winning the semi-final against him by 6-4, 6-4, 7-5.

### CANADIANS LEAVE OXFORD.

#### Finest Ice Hockey Combination.

The Oxford University ice hockey team, who won the League championship with a record of 12 victories in 12 games, will not be seen in action again. The players are all Canadians, and all, with one possible exception, have finished their studies at the University, and are returning shortly to Canada. This is a pity, for the Dark Blues team were the best that has ever played regularly in Eng-

### HEAVY SCORING AT KING'S PARK.

#### Cumberland's Narrow Victory.

#### RADIO DEFEATED.

Yesterday evening, in a very evenly contested hockey encounter, a team from H.M.S. Cumberland defeated the Radio Sports Club by the odd goal in seven. G. Singh (2) and K. Singh netted for the Radio, whilst the centre-forward (3) and the left wing replied for the Cumberland. For the Radio, Hanib, G. Singh and K. Singh were prominent throughout, whilst outstanding players for the Naval eleven were the goalkeeper, centre-half, centre-forward and left full-back.

Return Match. A return match will be played at Caroline Hill ground, on Friday, at 5.15 p.m., when the Radio will be represented by the following:—A. Sparry; B. Singh; J. Singh; Hanib, G. Jack, M. Singh; Surin Singh, J. T. K. Gilchrist, G. Singh, Kahlwan Singh and H. Singh. Reserves: Atta Singh and Jugeet Singh.

#### Our Sports Diary.

##### TO-DAY.

HOCKEY—Club v. Jats on U.S.R.C. ground at 5.30 p.m.

MAMAK SHIELD—St. Andrew's v. Incognitos at Caroline Hill at 5.15 p.m.

##### TO-MORROW.

CRICKET—Interport Nets at H.K.C.C. at 4.30 p.m.

##### FRIDAY.

CHESS—Open Championship, HOCKEY—Club "A" v. R.A.O.C. at King's Park at 5.30 p.m.

##### SATURDAY.

CRICKET—Interport XI. v. United Services.

RACING—Fifth Extra Race Meeting at Happy Valley.

### CHESS PROGRAMME FOR THE WEEK.

#### Friday.

A. C. Ridlington v. G. W. Greene. D. E. Carvalho v. H. W. Randall. W. P. Paul v. S. L. Husain. C. M. Sequeira v. P. T. Rozario.

FRIDAY.

MANCHESTER CITY FOR FRANCE.

### Two Engagements in Early May.

#### INTERESTING MOVE.

(P.A.F.S.)

Paris, March 31. Manchester City, according to the "Auto," have accepted invitations to play in France against two of the leading French Association clubs.

On Ascension Day, May 5, they play the Racing Club de France in a match to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of that famous club, and on May 7 they will meet the Red Star Olympique at Saint-Ouen.

### AMERICA'S CUP SOUVENIR.

#### Sir Thomas Lipton's Gift Goes Back.

#### IN ACCORDANCE WITH WILL.

(Reuter.)

New York, March 28. It is stated that Lord Inverforth, who is staying in Washington as the guest of Gen. Dawes, has brought him the cup which the United States people presented to the late Sir Thomas Lipton on the occasion of his first attempt to win back the America's Cup in 1899.

The cup is to be handed over to the New York Yacht Club in conformity with Sir Thomas Lipton's will.

land. It seems unlikely that Oxford will ever have such a strong side again.

## Phar Lap's Sire And Dam Sold.

### Night Raid An English Horse

Wellington (N.Z.), March 29.

Night Raid, the English-bred sire of Phar Lap, who recently won the Agua Caliente Handicap in Mexico, was sold for 2,500 guineas at the sale of the Kaituna Stud to-day.

Phar Lap's dam, Entreaty, who is in foal to Night Raid, was also sold with one of Night Raid's colts at foot. She fetched 1,500 guineas.

#### PHAR LAP'S CAREER.

It will be recalled that Phar Lap, the wonder horse of the Australian turf, died from colic quite recently. It came as a great surprise to both trainer and owner as the animal had swept over the

Agua Caliente Handicap, to net \$60,000 for the owner and to make history by smashing the existing record for the course. It covered the 1½ miles in 2 mins. 2.4/5 secs.

By winning the American classic Phar Lap almost passed the record for stake money previously held by an American horse, Sun Beau. That horse retired with winnings amounting to \$71,000. Phar Lap won \$65,000.

The Australian wonder horse was bred in New Zealand by an English sire, Night Raid, out of Entreaty, and had in his veins the blood of Spearmint, the famous English Derby winner, Night Raid being by Radium out of Sentiment by Spearmint.

"Phar" is said to be Senegalese for "Wink of the Sky" (or "Lightning") and the famous horse was nick-named "The Red Terror."

Phar Lap ran 51 races in his career, and of these, he won races at every distance from six furlongs to two miles. Only nine times was he unplaced; he had 37 victories to his credit, three seconds and two thirds. In these 61 races he covered 65 miles 7 furlongs, and won roughly ten shillings for every yard he ran. For his 37 victories, his average time works out at 38 miles per hour.

Among his more notable wins were those in the Melbourne Cup, A. J. C. Derby, Victoria Derby, and Victoria St. Leger.

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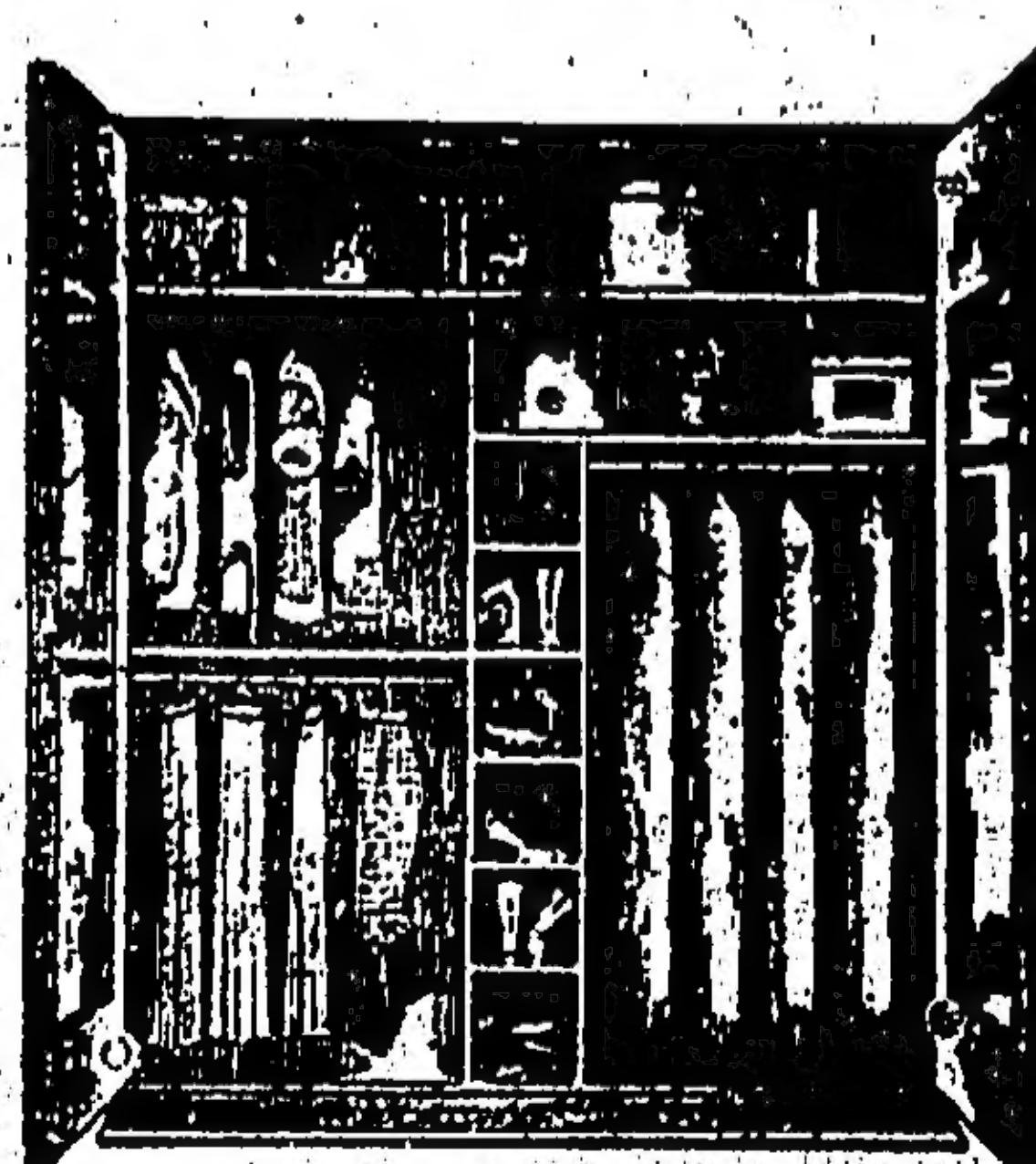
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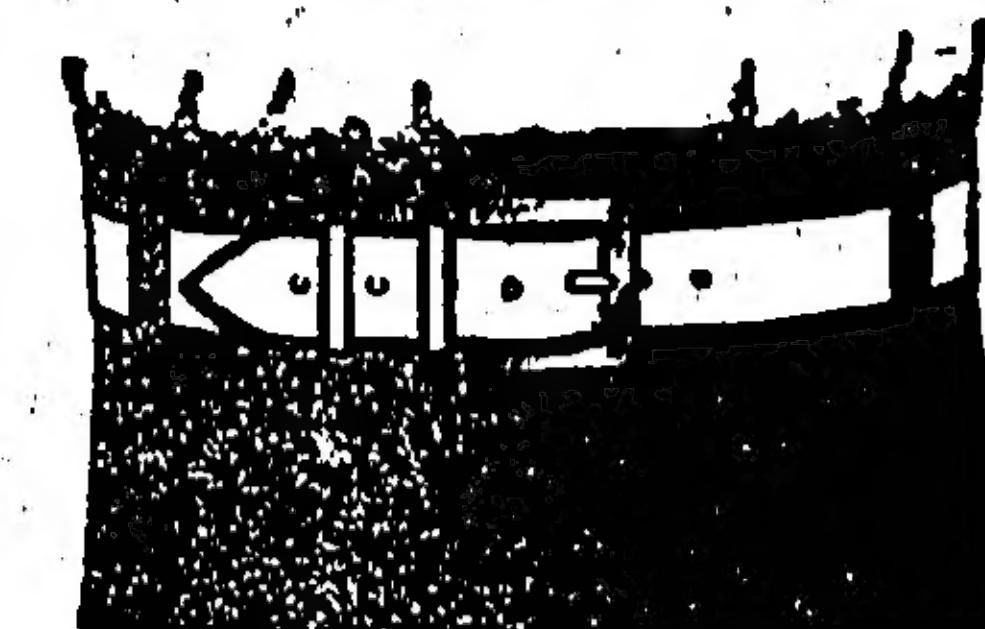
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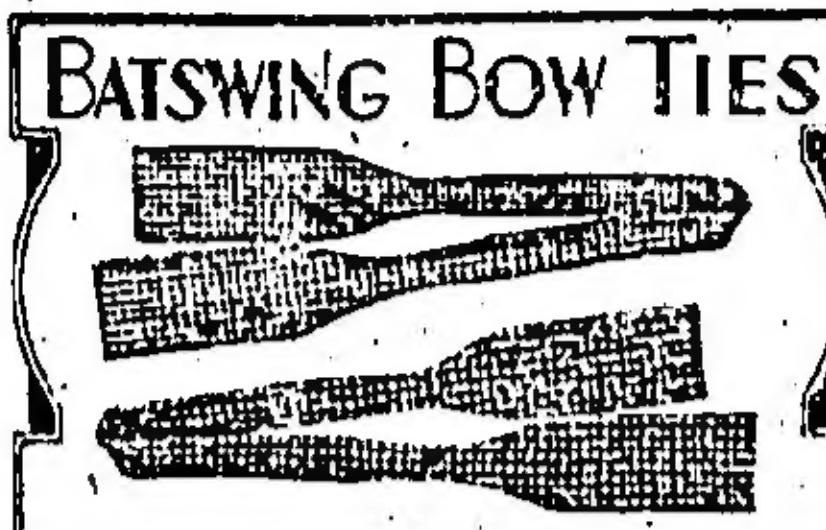
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The China Mail.

Hong Kong, Wednesday, April 27, 1932.

## The Soviet's Policy.

The alarmist reports emanating from Russia during the past two months have caused considerable speculation and uneasiness, and the world is wondering whether most of the reports are authentic or merely part of the usual Soviet propaganda. Many have scoffed at the news of Soviet preparations for war but the regularity of the rumours of late has indicated that they are not entirely without foundation, and yesterday a responsible newspaper as the London "Morning Post" printed an article dealing with "Soviet preparation for the eventual struggle with Japan." The article alleged that Russian troops have been moved to the border since last year and that extensive fortifications have strengthened, particularly at Vladivostok. A few weeks ago Japanese officials accused the Soviet of massing 100,000 troops near Vladivostok, but this was not confirmed. That there has been some military preparation along the Manchurian border admits of no doubt but the extent and significance of such movement cannot be determined.

The Soviet has the world perplexed, but it would seem by the casual attitude of Japan that Japan possesses more knowledge than most nations of the Soviet moves. The forbearance and situated silence of the Soviet on the Manchurian incident caused much surprise, and last year rumours were frequent of the existence of a secret agreement between the two nations. Recent events do not lend much support to that view, and informed observers are now speculating whether the Soviet policy was one of waiting for an opportunity to catch Japan in a disadvantageous position. Moscow may have foreseen the many difficulties that her rival would experience in Manchuria and China, and may have bided its time. Certainly, if there is to be conflict between the two countries, the Soviet position is more advantageous now than in last September, when Japan is coping

with uprisings in Manchuria in addition to facing a deadlock at Shanghai. The possibility of a combined Chinese and Russian attack on Japan has been mentioned, and many are apprehensive of the present situation.

Japanese ambition cannot be realised without loss to Russia, and there are many grounds for the contention that another Russo-Japanese war is inevitable. Such a happening, although regrettable from the international aspect does not appear to cause an undue amount of perturbation abroad, probably for the reason that most people opine that such an occurrence would be a personal and private fight, and would entail sacrifice and loss to only the two parties concerned. Whether this opinion is correct is open to doubt. Soviet propaganda of late has been directed against what is termed the Imperialist menace, and fears have been expressed of a pending attack from the White Russians. This announcement has been ridiculed as the "Soviet bogey" and the general interpretation is that it is a cloak for action in another sphere.

The disturbing aspect is that the Soviet claims that the Red Army is prepared for any eventuality are correct. The Soviet is one of the leading military powers, an although figures are not obtainable it is known that the Soviet land and air forces are the largest of any nation, exceeding even those of France. The Soviet authorities have not devoted all their energies to their industrial plans, but have also concentrated on building up a strong and efficient Army, in which women play quite a considerable part. The strength of the Red Army is a matter for conjecture, but on paper at least it appears formidable. The rigid censorship of news from the Soviet makes any estimate from outside uncertain and the amount of propaganda that issues from Moscow adds to the haziness of the information available. However, investigation of the situation at the border is now being made and the cables should soon give an indication of the authenticity of the reports of big-scale troop movements around Vladivostok. There are many reasons why the Soviet may consider it advantageous to dispose of a dangerous and amorous neighbour, but there are just as many reasons for the adoption of a neutral policy, for the future at least. There is much support for the theory that the Soviet would not enter into any war for some years owing to the check a war would place on the industrial progress of the nation. The lack of alarm, amounting almost to indifference at Tokyo is reassuring, and on the face of it much of the report of the military preparations along the border can be discounted, even if not wholly discredited.

## LOCAL MENINGITIS.

Six Fresh Cases  
Reported To-day.

When interviewed by a *China Mail* reporter this morning, the M.O.H., Dr. G. W. Pope, said that six fresh cases of meningitis (four from Hong Kong and two from Kowloon) were reported up to noon to-day, this bringing the total of local cases up to 106, since the beginning of this year.

Dr. Pope thought that the outbreak was well in hand, and that a fresh outbreak was not likely.

Asked as to the danger that might be caused by the meningitis patient, who escaped from the Isolation Hospital, and is still at large, Dr. Pope replied—"It depends on the surroundings. If the man is in confined surroundings, then there is a danger, but otherwise, I think not."

Yesterday's Figures.

Two cases of Meningitis and one case each of Small-pox and Diphtheria were reported for the 24 hours ending yesterday.

## BLAZE AT KAI TACK.

## MATSHED STABLE

## Ponies Rescued.

An outbreak of fire occurred at Kai Tack aerodrome last night, a matshed stable being completely destroyed. Fortunately the wind was blowing the blaze away from the hangars and other buildings.

The destroyed building was at the time of the fire being used as a stable for polo ponies by the Royal Air Force Officers, but all the animals were released uninjured. The flames were first noticed by a Kai Tack Motor Bus Co. driver at about 9.10 p.m. who gave the alarm.

The flames were under control in about half an hour.

## TONG YAU STREET.

Great Danger to Fire  
Department.

On summons for storing methanated spirits at their premises at 3, Tong Yau Street and 9, Tong Yau Street, respectively, without a licence, Tong Shing, and Ng Kwong-hing, were fined \$25 and \$50 respectively, by Mr. Schofield in the Central Police Court this morning.

Mr. J. C. FitzHenry, Acting Superintendent of the Fire Brigade, who prosecuted, stated that Tong Yau Street was very narrow and afforded great danger to the Fire Brigade in the event of an outbreak. Although it was possible to run a hose along the thoroughfare, great difficulty would be encountered in effecting a rescue. He added, though, that if both defendants applied for a licence each, their applications would be favourably considered.

CAPE AIR ROUTE OPENED FOR  
PASSENGERS.

Rugby, Yesterday. When the weekly African air mail leaves Croydon to-morrow the entire 8,000 miles route to Cape town will be open for passengers as well as for mails and parcels. Hitherto passengers have been carried only to Nairobi. The first through passenger carrying service also leaves Capetown to-morrow.

The through fare of £130 includes meals, hotel accommodation and tips, and the journey take 11 days as compared with 17 by surface transport—British Wireless Service.

## Personal Par

The forthcoming marriages are announced of Lai Chi-hing, of 588, Wellington Street, first floor, and Kuan Wan-ching, of 28, Reclamation Street, top floor, Kowloon; and of Lo Kamson, of 61, Queen's Road East, second floor, and Yau Kwai-hing, of Ha Kee Market, Siu-nam district, Kwongtung.

## News in Brief.

Dr. Bug, Professor at Columbia University, who is doing research work in the Far East, will give a lecture on "Our Changing Civilization and the New Education" to the Education Society, Hong Kong University on Thursday, April 22, 1932, at 5 p.m. in the Union Assembly Hall. The lecture will be illustrated and the general public is invited.

NEW C. IN C. FOR  
CHINA STATION.Vice-Admiral Dreyer  
Appointed.

FROM FEBRUARY, 1933.

London, To-day.

The Admiralty Office announces the appointment of Vice-Admiral Frederic Charles Dreyer to be Commander-in-Chief of the China Station, dating from February, 1933.—Reuter.

A Distinguished Career.

Vice-Admiral Frederic Charles Dreyer, C.B., C.B.E., is the son of the late Mr. J. L. E. Dreyer, Ph.D., D.Sc., and was born at Parsons-town, King's County, Ireland in 1878. Joining the Royal Navy in 1891, he has had a distinguished career. Among his activities during the War he was Flag Captain to the then Admiral Sir John Jellicoe, and later Commodore, and Chief of Staff, to Admiral of the Fleet, Viscount Jellicoe, on the Naval Mission to India and the Dominions in 1919 and 1920. He was A.D.C. to H.M. the King, 1922-1923.

Among his later appointments he has been a Lord Commissioner of the Admiralty and Deputy Chief of the Naval Staff since 1930, and has been Admiralty Representative on the League of Nations Advisory Commission since last year.

HONG KONG STOCK  
EXCHANGE.

The official summary issued by the Stock Exchange to-day states:—

On the resumption of business after the Settlement, markets did not open promisingly this morning, and, although quotations remain unchanged, generally no interest was shown in either the investment or the speculative sections.

## Sales.

Hong Kong Banks, \$1,500.  
Hotels (Cum. Rights), \$13.20.  
China Lights (old), \$21.30.

## Buyers.

Douglases, \$27.  
Benguet Explorations, 30 cents.  
Providents (old), \$4.65.  
Providents (new), \$2.30.

Hotels (Cum. Rights), \$13.15.  
Hong Kong Lands, \$76.  
Hong Kong Realities, \$11 1/2.  
Chinese Estates, \$96 1/2.

Yau Ma Tei Ferries, \$36.  
China Lights (old), \$21.  
Hong Kong Electrics, \$73 1/4.  
Macao Electrics, \$24.

Cements (combined), \$18.70.  
Constructions (old), \$5.60.  
Constructions (new), \$1.24.  
Govt. Loans, 4 per cent. Premium.

## Sellers.

South China Motors "B," \$12.  
Hong Kong Trams, \$22 1/2.  
S.C. Enterprises, \$9.

## SHANGHAI SHARES.

Latest Cabled Quotations.

The following cabled quotations received by Carroll Bros. of Shanghai were received to-day:—  
Ewo Cottons ..... \$15.00  
Shanghai Lands ..... \$28.25  
Shanghai Electric "Bearer" \$30.00

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Receipts—March, 1931—\$447,668.  
Aggregate Receipts, January to  
March—1932, \$1,256,169; 1931,  
\$2,561,087.

In comparing the aggregate receipts, regard must be had to the changed conditions of sharing traffic.

## SUMMER CRUISE FOR FLEET.

Portsmouth, To-day. The Manned Ships of the Home Fleet, including the Flagship, H.M.S. Nelson, left Portsmouth to-day for a Summer Cruise in Scottish waters.

The cruise will be followed by visits to coastal holiday resorts—British Official Wireless Service.

IRISH SWEEP PRIZE  
AWARDED.

Delayed from Last Year.

CAFE PROPRIETOR GETS  
£52,000.

Starts on World Tour.

London, To-day.

Emilio Scala, an Italian cafe proprietor, has at last received the proceeds of the first prize which he won in the Irish sweep for the Grand National last year. The long delay was due to the litigation over the ownership of the ticket for the horse. Scala is now better off by £52,000, after paying legal and other expenses.

He has given £5,000 each to the four brothers and he has himself set off immediately on a world tour. — Reuter.

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Year.LOSS ON THE KOWLOON CITY  
SERVICE.

The eighth ordinary annual meeting of the Hong Kong and Yaumati Ferry Company Ltd., was held at the Chinese Restaurant, this morning, Mr. Lo Chung-kuo taking the chair.

The net profit for the year including £8,564.83 brought forward from last year, amounted to £266,194.18. A loss of £26,219.86 on the operation of the Kowloon City Ferries was experienced. For 24 cases of Life Saving, \$11, was paid as awards. The sum of \$160,000 was transferred to the building fund, and \$76,663.82 is to be paid out as dividends and bonus. The meeting was conducted in Chinese.

## WHERE BEST TO CHASTISE.

A Magistrate Recommends  
"The Proper Place."

A native shopkeeper, summoned for caning a boy aged nine in his employment, has received advice from the magistrate as to how exactly such chastisement should be administered, says a Reuter Colombo (Ceylon) message.

The defendant was alleged to have caused "an abrasion on the left upper arm and two linear contusions on the left thigh." The magistrate, dismissing the charge, delivered himself thus:

"It appears that the boy misbehaved himself and was moderately chastised.... I, however, warn the accused not to chastise the boy anywhere except on the proper

## Combating Meningitis Outbreak

### Sanitary Board's Discussion

### Dr. Pope Attributes Disease to Bad Housing

At yesterday's fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board, presided over by Mr. G. R. Sayer (Head of the Sanitary Department), the meningitis outbreak was the subject of much discussion. A member of the Board, Dr. R. A. de Castro Basto, submitted a resolution for more effective methods of checking the disease, urging propaganda in the way of public lectures and illustrated posters.

The Medical Officer of Health (Dr. Pope) strongly opposed the motion, and pointed out that something must be done to the appalling houses, in which the coolie class of Chinese dwell. In his opinion, the lack of fresh air in these "tunnel" houses was to a great extent responsible for the spread of meningitis. He added that propaganda would be of no benefit.

When put to the vote, Dr. Basto's motion was defeated by four votes to three.

The Medical Officer of Health (Dr. G. W. Pope) replied to four questions asked by Dr. R. A. de Castro Basto, in regard to the meningitis epidemic.

Q.—As the causative organism of Cerebro-spinal Meningitis has been found to belong to several groups or types, has there been any attempt at typing the organisms isolated from the cases occurring in the present epidemic?

A.—Yes. The necessary preliminary work towards doing this has been in progress from an early period in the epidemic.

Q.—If this has not been done, will the Government consider doing so immediately?

A.—See answer to 1.

Q.—If on the other hand, this has already been done, which is the particular type of meningoccus responsible for the greater number of cases occurring in this present outbreak?

A.—It has not been possible to complete this work yet; it will be a considerable time before the results are available.

Q.—Is the corresponding anti-type serum (as distinct from the usual polyvalent serum) being prepared, and if not, will the Government consider its preparation with regard to the present epidemic, seeing that according to the latest researches it has been found that the mortality rate is greatly diminished when the 'type' of organism is known and the corresponding anti-serum employed?

A.—The preparation of serum by immunisation of animals takes about 3 months, hence the serum now in progress of preparation can hardly be of use in the present epidemic—the work at present being done can only be considered in the light of the future. As a matter of fact no other serum but a polyvalent serum is ever employed in modern treatment as the infecting organism are always of multiple types. Our present serum has been tested against several of the organisms recovered in the present epidemic and found to be highly potent. The preparation of future serum will of course be modified, if necessary, by the information gained during the course of the present work.

After his questions had been answered, Dr. de Castro Basto moved the following motion:

"That in the opinion of this board it is desirable in the public interest that more effective measures be taken to check the spread of the present outbreak of cerebro-spinal meningitis in the Colony, including the organisation of an intensive health propaganda campaign for the purpose of instructing the public both as regard the methods of prevention and cure of this disease."

He said in part, "when I drafted the motion standing in my name a few days ago" he said "the incidence of the epidemic of cerebro-spinal fever was at its highest. I am glad to note however that the disease is on the wane, but nevertheless I shall let the motion stand."

"In combating a disease in its epidemic form, the earnest co-operation of the public is of the utmost importance. Unless the public understands the mode of

spread of a disease, the curative methods employed with its chances of success; unless they understand the principle of the methods employed by the authorities in checking it, it is impossible to expect from them the desired co-operation.

"With this end in view I suggest that steps be taken to institute an intensive form of propaganda to instruct the general public as regard the methods of prevention of the disease. The propaganda could be effected through the press, by means of illustrated posters, public lectures in open spaces, or better still through the agency of a Health Propaganda Bureau to be established under the auspices of this Board.

Dr. Basto then outlined his proposal.

In seconding Dr. Basto's motion, Mr. M. K. Lo said that, in doing so he confessed that personally he really did not know what actual steps one must take against the disease, but, as a member of the public he did feel that they had, more or less, resigned themselves to the fate of the disease, and there is a state of futility and fatality in the air.

He thought the best steps that could be taken were those as suggested by Dr. Basto, a man of good medical qualifications. He felt that they would be infinitely better than the alternative of inertia. However, he was not committing himself in agreement with all the suggestions put forward by the Doctor.

Dr. G. W. Pope, replying, opposed Dr. Basto's suggestion of propaganda as a prevention, stating that it would be of no good, as it would mean the poorer class of people to buy newspapers. He stated that from January 1 this year, there had been 100 cases of meningitis, whereas, up to Sunday, there had been 875 cases of tuberculosis, about 8 a day, which meant about 3,000 a year.

What was the value of propaganda? One might even recommend a Chinese of the ordinary class to go for a six months' voyage. He took offence at Dr. Basto's wording of his proposal.

He mentioned that no cases of meningitis occurred. In the open spaces of Prince Edward Road or Kowloon Tong, but they occurred, in the main, in these "tunnel" houses in the city, and the poorer class of dwellers were the unfortunate victims. He added that something must be done to these houses, or the figures in tuberculosis and bronchitis would increase. He described the houses as appalling.

Mr. Sayer strongly supported the M.O.H. in what he had said. Dr. Basto had condemned his own thoughts with his own mouth. Because the M.O.H. did not get excited, it did not mean that he was not doing his best in taking preventive measures. The figure of 100 cases of meningitis, he thought, was most amazing, when one considered the conditions under which the poorer class of people lived in the Colony.

Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, in supporting Dr. Basto, said that he had understood Government had no intention of pulling down these houses. If that was so, then what was the remedy? He believed in prevention being better than cure, and strongly urged that preventive steps in that line be taken.

After apologising to Dr. Pope, Dr. Basto went on to describe the difference between meningitis and tuberculosis. He said that meningitis is an acute disease that comes on suddenly and without warning, and it did not give the patient time to recover. It did not give him or her time or opportunity for treatment, whereas tuberculosis is a very gradual disease, which takes years to kill. Ninety per cent of these cases were chronic.

He suggested that eighty per cent of the Colony's population was composed of the poorer class. Dr. Basto's motion was lost by four votes to three. The voting was: For the motion—Dr. Basto, Messrs. Wong Kwong-tin, and Mr. Lo. Against the motion—Dr. G. W. Pope, the Hon. Mr. Sayer, and Mr. G. R. Sayer.

### THE VILLAGE ROAD MURDER.

#### Mr. Lindsell Opens Crown's Case.

#### ACCUSED'S ALLEGED PLOT.

#### Quarrels and Jealousy.

The First Court at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, was crowded to its utmost capacity, when Mr. Wynne-Jones commenced the preliminary hearing in the case in which Cheng Kwok-yau, aged 20 years, son of a very wealthy family, who is charged with instigating the murder of George Fung, alias Fung Hin, on the night of March 24 at Village Road, Happy Valley.

It will be recalled that Fung, at the time of his death, was in company with Miss. Lai Ming-fay, a one time Chinese film star. Fung was shot in the back, the bullet penetrating the heart.

Mr. R. E. Lindsell, Assistant Attorney General, prosecuted for the Crown, outlining the case at great length.

Mr. G. K. Hall Bruton defended the accused, while Mr. P. H. Sin watched the proceedings on behalf of one Edward Zimmern, mentioned as a witness for the Crown.

#### Crime Passionelle.

In the course of the Crown's outline, Mr. Lindsell said that at about 8.30 p.m. on March 24, George Fung left the house of a friend at 14 Shan Kwong Terrace, in the company of the girl, Lai Ming-fay, with whom he was cohabiting and whom he proposed to marry. It will be the Crown's case that the commission of this dastardly and cowardly murder was procured by the accused, who had very good reasons to hate Fung and had been plotting his death; that the crime, had been in fact a *crime passionelle*.

and the accused found this desperately inhuman method of solving one form of the eternal triangle.

In 1928, Miss Lai Ming-fay came to Hong Kong with her father as a member of a theatrical troupe, and they gave certain charitable performances. Through the Chairman of the Association, with whom he was friendly, the accused met Fay and took an interest in her.

In September 1931, accused, took with him the sum of \$80,000, and lived for a time with Fay and her father. It was during this period that Fung appeared on the scene.

Fay's father left for Peking and left her in charge of the accused. They lived at two different addresses and practically passed as husband and wife, although they were not intimate.

In September 1931, another schoolmate of Fay, a sister of Bessie, named Annie Au, came down from Shanghai, the rest of the household having then moved from 79, Wongneichong Road, to 50, Village Road, where they were still living in February.

On February 20, there was one of the usual quarrels between Fay and the accused over Fung, which ended in accused throwing himself out of the house, saying he was going to Canton.

Quarrels and Jealousy.

The girl Fay, at that time, was admittedly fond of the accused, but owing to quarrels and jealousy she threatened to leave him more than once, but his counter-threat was to shoot her. In April, 1930, the accused left Shanghai heavily in debt.

Fay followed him later and he provided her with a flat in Kowloon. Later in that year, she returned to Shanghai when she saw Fung once or twice but apparently did not attract him. In February, 1931 she returned to Hong Kong with her mother and Bessie Au, a schoolmate of hers, and all lived with her under the accused's protection at 97, Wongneichong Road. Fay met Fung for the first time in Hong Kong, and at the time accused and Fung were friends.

#### Alleged Plot.

The Crown had to admit that the accused's plot to kill Fung was based on what Mr. Lindsell could not describe otherwise than as tainted evidence. It was that of two witnesses who admitted having encouraged accused in his plot, leading him on not to murder, but in order that they themselves might blackmail him, whatever happened.

On March 5, at the First Extra Race meeting, one Edward Zimmern, an obvious black sheep of a

### SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES.

#### Colony's Finances.

#### FURTHER EXPENDITURE OF \$75,174.

Supplementary estimates for 1932, totalling \$75,174 are presented in a message from H.E. the Governor to the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council. Details of the items are as follows:

#### Estimates, 1931.

191—31, Miscellaneous Services:—Sino-Japanese Conflict—\$10,000.

A sum of \$10,000 is requested to meet expense in connection with the Sino-Japanese conflict owing to the necessity for maintaining special precautions in the Colony. The undernoted expenses have to be met:—

#### Pay for Police Reserves.

Cost of busses standing by during Chinese New Year festivities as a precaution against further anti-Japanese demonstrations.

Board and lodgings for members of "E" contingent at Sailors' Home, Wan Chai, for protection of residences and shops.

#### (C.S.O. 8 in 1930/31).

192—34, Miscellaneous Services:—Depreciation of Sterling Securities—\$14,986.00.

The cost price of the Trustee Stock held on account of surplus funds was £104,096.18.10. The mark value as at December 31, 1931, was £94,091.41.10. The depreciation at that date being therefore £10,005.99 which at \$1=1/4.9/16 amounts to \$144,985.18 and has to be written off. A vote for this

#### (C.S.O. 27 in 1931/32).

193—34, Miscellaneous Services:—Loss on Sale of Stock—\$6,708.00.

Of the holding of £20,000 nominal value of Newcastle Corporation 1945/55, 4½ per cent stock for which £19,200 was paid for account of surplus balances the Crown Agents for the Colonies sold one half realising £9,137.20, a loss of £462.18.0 which at 1/4.9/16=\$6,707.68. The £9,137.20 was reinvested in December, 1931, in London County Council 1945/55, 4½ per cent stock at a face value of £10,137.14.0. There has therefore been a slight increase in the nominal value and the yearly interest will also be slightly more.

A vote is requested to cover the difference between the original price and the sale price.

#### (C.S.O. 27 in 1931/32).

194—34, Miscellaneous Services:—Loss on Exchange—\$385,962.00.

The loss on exchange for 1931 amounted to \$385,961.21. Of this sum \$200,722 was due to the reduced dollar value of sterling securities owing to the rise in exchange during the year. The balance of \$185,240 is the loss incurred owing to the rise in the dollar on our short term investments in the Joint Colonial Fund and to other minor adjustments. In 1930, it will be recollected, that owing to the heavy fall in the dollar the sum of \$1,480,590 was carried to Revenue.

#### (C.S.O. 27 in 1931/32).

195—34, Miscellaneous Services:—Newspapers and Periodicals—\$1,228.00.

Provision made in Estimates (page 110 sub-head 33) ..... \$ 8,500

Provision made by Supplementary Vote (Message No. 15, item No. 15) ..... 1,900

Total ..... \$10,400

The supplementary vote approved under Message No. 15 of December 29, 1931, proved to be insufficient. Final figures for the year show a deficit of \$1,228.00 and a vote for this sum is requested.

Newspapers and periodicals purchased through the Crown Agents cost £416.10.6d. or \$8,318.04 of which \$70.5.2d. or \$1,249.04 was

well-known and much respected family here, came into the picture, and being out of work, accepted payment of \$40 per month as "bodyguard" to the accused.

#### Poison Suggested.

At this point it appears that the accused became desperate and started making definite offers, particularly to Christie, of a very large reward if he would procure the death of Fung. They all came over to Hong Kong, except Souza, who was left behind to keep a watch on Fung's movements. Christie suggested the one of poison in the form of potassium cyanide.

#### Miss Fay's Evidence.

Miss Lai Ming-fay was then called to give evidence for the Crown, and in the course of long and searching cross-examination by Mr. Lindsell, said, at the age 16 years she was a Cinema Actress and then joined the legitimate stage to become an actress proper.

Accused did propose marriage while on a trip with her to Singapore, and gave her a diamond ring.

Replying to a further question by Mr. Lindsell as to why marriage was not mentioned again, witness said that it was because accused's family did not agree to the marriage.

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caps, etc.) will hold as applicable  
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held on the 17th April.

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By Order of the Stewards,  
W. L. ALEXANDER,  
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 26th April, 1932.

**SPORTS NOTICES.**

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**GROWTH OF THE  
Y.M.C.A.**

**Mr MacPherson's  
Address to Rotarians.**

**NOT COMMUNISTIC.**

Rotarian J. L. MacPherson was  
the speaker at yesterday's tiffin of  
the Rotary Club, at the Lane, Craw-  
ford restaurant. His subject was  
the growth and expansion of the  
Y.M.C.A. movement.

It had its inception in London in  
1844 and had grown steadily ever  
since until, at the present time, its  
activities are world-wide. The  
founder of the "Y" was an English-  
man named George Williams, and  
from small beginnings the move-  
ment had made such steady growth  
that before the end of the long and  
useful life of the founder it had be-  
come practically world-wide, with  
1,000,000 members.

Seven years after its inception, in  
1851, visitors to the Great Ex-  
hibition in London came into contact  
with the Y.M.C.A. and were  
greatly impressed with it. The  
result was that two groups of  
visitors carried the idea home, and  
before the end of that same year  
similar organisations had been  
started in Montreal, Canada, and  
Boston, U.S.A.

The movement extended readily  
in the English-speaking countries,  
and America took up the idea so  
readily that at the present time al-  
most one-half of the world membership  
of approximately 2,000,000, are in  
North America.

Mr. MacPherson spoke in partic-  
ular of the work done by the "Y"  
in China in the field of promoting  
sport, health, and mass general  
education. He emphatically re-  
futed the allegation, sometime made,  
that the Y.M.C.A. was Communistic,  
and replying to a criticism that it  
had lost its "C," said:

"If what makes an institution  
Christian is a deep regard for  
human life, an unflinching insistence  
on its worth, an unchanging purpose  
and unfolding plan to give every  
man and boy a real chance to attain  
his potentialities, body, mind, and  
spirit, to afford the fullest opportunity  
to participate in the enlightenments and satisfactions of  
life—all this in the spirit of service  
—I maintain the "C" is still there."

**EXCHANGES.**

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On demand ..... 84%

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Wire ..... 84%

On demand ..... 84%

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On demand ..... 46

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On demand ..... 774%

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 TOYOOKA MARU ..... Friday, 13th May.  
 CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.  
 MURORAN MARU ..... Friday, 20th April.  
 GENOA MARU ..... Monday, 9th May.  
 KORE & YOKOHAMA.  
 KAGA MARU (calls Shanghai) ..... Thursday, 28th April.  
 HAKOZAKI MARU ..... Friday, 29th April.  
 BENGAL MARU (calls Moji) ..... Thursday, 5th May.  
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#### Rivalry Among Nations.

#### STRUGGLE FOR BLUE RIBAND.

At a time when the Atlantic passenger and mail service is so much in the public mind, and when competition, accentuated by subsidy, has produced the Europa and Bremen, which, in their turn, have led to the difficulties with the giant Cunarder and other enormous foreign high-speed ships, a "Century of Atlantic Travel" is as opportune as it is interesting.

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#### The Royal William.

In 1831 no fewer than 275 sailing vessels entered New York from Great Britain, and in 1833 the Royal William, of 830 tons, constituted the first real threat to the sailing packets. Though she lost money she was bought by a firm among whose directors was Samuel Cunard, a name to grow famous on the Atlantic route.

The story of rate-cutting and cut-throat competition started in 1837, and each succeeding decade saw a growth in the speed and tonnage of ships. In 1855 the Board of the proposed Great Western Railway had decided to build the Great Western to run from Bristol to New York, and from this ship, of which there is an excellent picture, Mr. Hayne carries his readers up to the Bremen through the history of the famous ships of the past and present.

The United States, jealous of the prestige and success of the Cunard Company, began in 1848 the unwholesome practice of subsidising the four steamers Arctic, Baltic, Atlantic, and Pacific, of the United States Mail Steamship Company, thus inaugurating a regime of State trading, which in the past ten years has cost the American taxpayers over \$1,000,000,000.

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per Sovereign of the Seas, which had been transferred to the Western Ocean to uphold the honour of the sailing ship. In the 'Sixties the French prepared to enter the Atlantic trade, with a subsidy of 9,300,000 francs for two services, and things were moving in Germany with the Hamburg-American Line.

The Spanish, with Government subsidy, also endeavoured to revive their merchant fleet.

#### III-FATED SHIPS.

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Lack of space prevents adequate justice being done to so fascinating and valuable a book, which should be a great encouragement to harassed shipowners, especially the Cunard Company, in these days of extreme stress.

Time and again our shipping companies have been faced with heavy loss, and sometimes ruin, but on each occasion the depression has passed, and British ships, British officers, and British shipowners have proved to the world that foreign competition, artificially stimulated by Government subsidy, is apt to wither before the independence, the spirit of adventure, and genius of its unsubsidised British competitors.

### HARBOUR OFFICE.

#### Good Freight Figures Yesterday.

The Harbour Office Reports for the 24 hours ended 9 a.m. yesterday gave a free movement of vessels with a high tonnage. Freights were up to the mark, both the inward and throughs reaching five figures. The total tonnage entered was 54,471.

There were 14 inward registrations, of which three were British and five of four figures, while of the ten throughs, four were British and seven of four figures. One vessel arrived in ballast.

Passengers entered during the period included 35 Europeans and 1,937 Asiatic deck, British vessels carrying 279 out of the total in all classes.

Details follow:

Nationality	Arr. H.Kong	Dep. Through	Cargo Tons	Cargo Tons
British	6	1,925	6	20,047
American	2	765	—	3,812
Dutch	1	755	—	202
Norwegian	3	9,564	1	7,355
German	1	4,188	—	2,302
Japanese	2	4,456	1	—
Chinese	2	137	2	—
Totals	17	21,728	10	33,218

#### CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

Consignees of cargo ex s.s. Gaslic Star are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after April 28.

### POST OFFICE NOTICE.

#### INWARD MAIIS.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27.

Japan ..... Nellore  
 Japan ..... Takada

THURSDAY, APRIL 28.

Shanghai and Swatow ..... Kwangtung  
 Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia

(London, April 7) ..... Calcutta Maru

FRIDAY, APRIL 29.

Manila ..... President Taft  
 London (Parcels only, London, March 28) ..... Hector

Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia

(London, April 8) ..... Hakone Maru

Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver, B.C., April 9) ..... Empress of Japan

Europe via Negapatam (Letters only, London, March 31) ..... Hakozaki Maru

#### OUTWARD MAIIS.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27.

Straits ..... Hai Hing ..... 3.30 p.m.  
 Amoy ..... Tsingtao ..... 3.30 p.m.  
 Shanghai and Wuchow ..... Chung On ..... 4 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 28.

Straits and Calcutta ..... Ho Sang  
 Parcels ..... April 28, Noon  
 Letters ..... 1 p.m.

Hydrangea ..... 3 p.m.

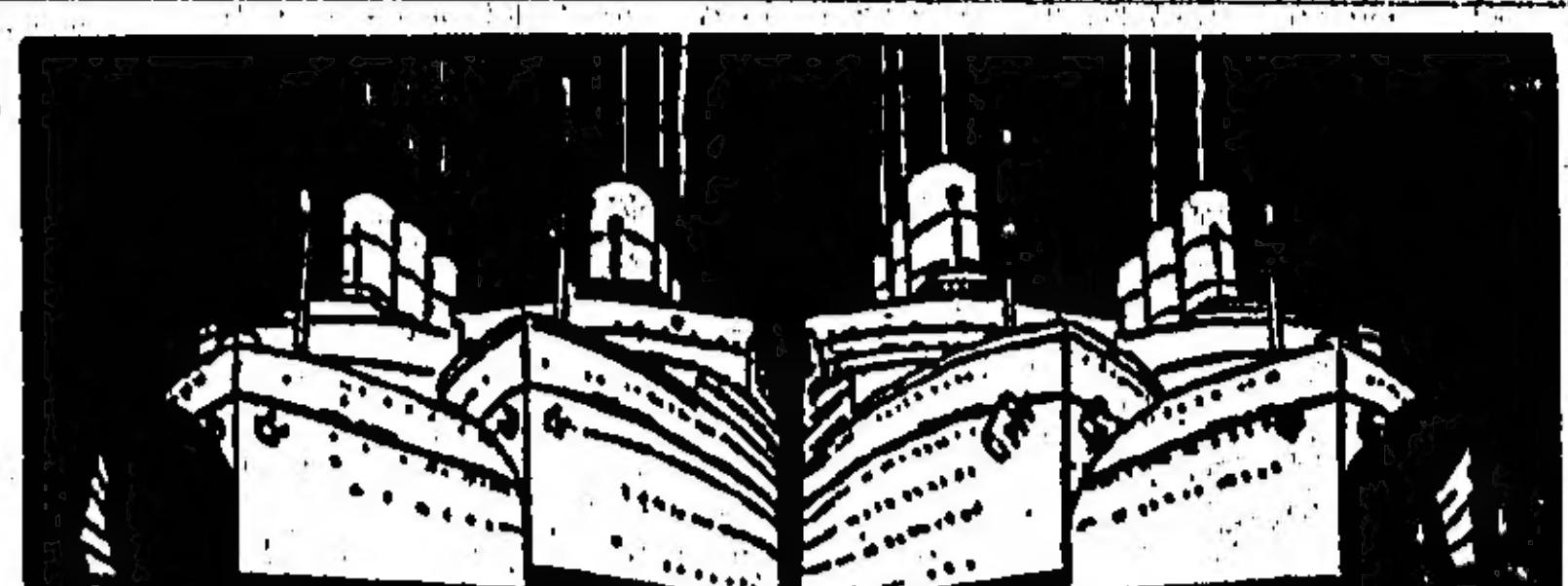
Swatow ..... APRIL 29.

Hai Yang ..... 1 p.m.  
 Bangkok ..... Bintang ..... 1.30 p.m.

Japan ..... Hakozaki Maru ..... 3.30 p.m.

Manila ..... Empress of Japan ..... 5 p.m.

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Emp. of Japan May 8 May 9	May 20 May 23 May 24 May 28 June 4 June 18	June 8 June 10 June 16 June 21
Emp. of Asia	June 3 June 6	July 4
Emp. of Canada June 17 June 20 June 21 June 23 June 25	July 6 July 8 July 14 July 19	Aug. 1
Emp. of Russia June 21 June 23 June 25	July 21 July 23	Aug. 1
Emp. of Japan July 1 July 4	July 21 July 23	Aug. 1
Emp. of Asia July 15 July 18 July 19	July 21 July 23	Aug. 1
Emp. of Canada July 29 Aug. 1	Aug. 3 Aug. 5 Aug. 11 Aug. 16	Aug. 21 Sept. 2 Sept. 8 Sept. 13
Emp. of Russia Aug. 12 Aug. 15 Aug. 16 Aug. 18 Aug. 20 Aug. 27 Sept. 2	Aug. 21 Sept. 2 Sept. 17 Sept. 26	Sept. 28 Sept. 30 Oct. 6 Oct. 11
Emp. of Canada Sept. 23 Sept. 26	Sept. 23 Sept. 26	Sept. 28 Sept. 30 Oct. 6 Oct. 11

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 "TEUER" 15th May For Liverpool & Havre

#### NEW YORK SERVICE.

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CHITRAL	15,000	21st May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
KIDDERPORE	5,300	31st May	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
RANCHI	17,000	4th June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
†† BANGALORE	6,500	11th June	Bombay, Marseilles, London, Havre, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
NALDERA	16,000	18th June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
KAISAR-I-HIND	12,000	2nd July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
†† BHUTAN	6,000	9th July	Bombay, Marseilles, London, Havre, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
RAJPUTANA	17,000	16th July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
MANTUA	11,000	23rd July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
†† SOUDAN	6,900	6th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles, London, Havre, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
RAWALPINDI	17,000	13th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
RANPURA	17,000	27th Aug.	Marseilles & London.
MALWA	11,000	10th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.

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TIWANA	10,000	23rd May	

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TANDA	7,000	3rd June	& Melbourne.
NANKIN	7,000	2nd July	

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BANGALORE	6,500	30th Apr.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
RANCHI	17,000	5th May	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
TIWANA	10,000	5th May	Anzoy, Shai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
TANDA	7,000	6th May	Shai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Y'hama.
TALMA	10,000	13th May	Anzoy, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
NALDERA	16,000	18th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
BHUTAN	6,000	1st June	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
SANTHIA	8,000	2nd June	Anzoy, Shai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KAISAR-I-HIND	12,000	2nd June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
NANKIN	7,000	6th June	Shai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Y'hama.
RAJPUTANA	17,000	16th June	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
SOUDAN	6,800	23rd June	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.

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All dates are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.  
All cabins are fitted with Electric Fans or Punka Louvre System.  
Steamers on London and Australian Lines are fitted with Laundrys.  
Parcels measuring not more than 5 cu. ft. will be received at the Company's Office up to Noon on the day previous to sailing.

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## NEW SHIP-REPAIRING WHARF.

### To Be Erected at Falmouth.

#### ALL EMPIRE TIMBER.

Convinced that it is the duty of every British firm to undertake to "Buy British," in order to help foster the trade of the Empire, the Falmouth Docks and Engineering Company have set a fine example to other firms throughout Great Britain.

The company is embarking on a scheme for the construction of a new wharf, and it was necessary that a supply of massive timber piles should be procured. When the docks were taken over, by the present proprietors—the shipping combine of which the Federal is a unit—some years ago, the wooden piles required for the building of the northern arm were obtained from Portland, Oregon, America. Determined to support Empire trading, the company looked around for a likely source of supply, with the result that Mr. John Silley, O.B.E., the managing director of the company, was able to place an order for £30,000 worth of Queensland timber (turpentine piles).

When the Christen Smith motor-ship Belpar, which reached Falmouth recently, left Brisbane with the timber on board, tremendous interest was shown in her departure. It is understood that the order afforded employment to 22 contractors and their men, and that the swan timber was distributed between four country mills.

#### Australian Piles Superior.

Apart from the fact that the Falmouth Docks and Engineering Company are helping to foster trade within the Empire, they have made the gratifying discovery, as the result of a series of experiments, that Australian timber piles are superior to those obtained from Portland, Oregon.

On taking the docks over, the company ascertained that the American wood piles required renewing every eight or ten years, owing to the ravages effected by the marine pests. Inquiries were made, with the result that turpentine piles were imported from Australia. The tests exceeded all expectations. It is calculated that the life of an Australian turpentine pile will be about 40 years.

Between 4,000 and 5,000 tons of these turpentine piles were discharged from the Belpar during the week-end. These piles, from 72ft. to 75 ft. in length, weigh as much as eight tons each. They are to be used for the construction of an entirely new deep water wharf, 660 ft. long, with a depth of 26 ft. at low tide. When completed, the wharf will be one of the best of its kind in the country, and be equipped with electric cranes for the handling of materials in an expeditious manner.

#### Empire Wharf.

While the wharf may be used from time to time for damages amounting to 10 years' cargo handling, it will be wages for the workman, or 24,000

more generally used for effecting repairs, which have now become a great feature in the port of Falmouth. As everything in connection with the construction of the wharf has been produced within the Empire, it will be known as the Empire Wharf.

The Queensland Government is looking forward to this particular order from the Falmouth Docks and Engineering Co. as the forerunner of extensive contracts for Empire timber for havens and piers in Great Britain; many docks and harbour authorities, as well as borough, city and county councils, are said to be keenly interested in its use in consequence of its relative immunity from wastage.

All the cross ties and beams of the new wharf are from Vancouver, Canada, and are being specially creosoted. The wharf will be decked throughout with Australian brush box, which, it is anticipated, will give a much longer life than ordinary decking used in the past.

## HEAVY DAMAGES FOR BROKEN LEG.

### Owner to Pay £3,700 to Workman.

An instance of how foreign vessels at Russian ports are made to pay heavy damages for minor or even imaginary mishaps is furnished by the case of the Latvian steamer Everest. This vessel was discharging at Leningrad, when a derrick pulley broke, and as a result a workman had his leg broken.

Although the man is still in hospital there is no evidence that his working ability will be affected by the injury, but the Soviet authorities have started proceedings against the shipowner, and the court has already issued its decision.

In this connection it may be remarked that the president of the court was a woman, and the assessors were a man and a woman. It was alleged that the accident was due to the faulty condition of the pulley, and that, therefore, the owners were liable. The master denied liability, his witnesses testifying that the outward appearance of the pulley gave no reason for suspecting weakness. It was certified to carry two tons, and the weight at the time of the accident was only 1.2 tons. Moreover, the discharge had been going on for five days, during which time considerably heavier weights had been lifted by the pulley. The master therefore contended that the master was a pure accident, for which the workman's employer, the Sovtorgdot, should be responsible especially as vessels loading and discharging at Russian ports have to pay insurance premiums for accidents to workmen.

The Russian interests called a number of witnesses, to testify to the alleged faulty condition of the pulley.

#### 10 Years' Wages!

The Court decided in favour of the Sovtorgdot, and the owners of the Everest were held liable to pay wages for the workman, or 24,000

## CONSIGNEES

### BLUE STAR LINE.

#### NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

Steamer, "GAELIC STAR"  
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Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Holt's Wharf, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will not be landed here, unless notice has been given 48 hours prior to vessel's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns and all goods remaining undelivered after the 28th instant will be subject to rent.

All claims against the vessel must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 7th May, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 28th instant at 10 a.m. by our surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

In the case of dutiable goods, consignees are requested to inform the Imports & Exports Office that they have such cargo for examination.

No fire insurance has been effected.

Bills of lading will be countersigned by

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Hong Kong, 22nd April, 1932.

gold roubles and 1,000 gold roubles in legal costs. The total amount at the present rate of exchange, being equal to £3,700.

The Latvian Consul-General, at the request of the master of the vessel, protested to the Foreign Commissariat, but was met with the reply that as the Court had decided the matter there was nothing to be done.

The master, who intends to appeal against the judgment, will have to deposit a further 1,000 gold roubles as security in respect of legal costs.

#### DEATH ON SHIP.

### Young Japanese Acquitted.

Perth, March 2. When the Japanese freighter Hayo Maru was at Geraldton on February 1, Tomoza Nonaka, 30, fireman, was fatally stabbed. Toshio Horowaka, 23, engineer's apprentice, was committed for trial on a charge of murder at an inquest at Geraldton.

The trial took place yesterday, in the Supreme Court, before Mr. Justice Draper and a jury. Horowaka was acquitted and discharged.

Evidence was given that four members of the crew went ashore and got drunk, and when they returned to the ship, about midnight, Horowaka, who preceded the others, quarrelled with Nonaka. It was stated in evidence that Nonaka was the aggressor, and that Horowaka retreated to his cabin, and, when feeling for matches, caught hold of a knife. Nonaka rushed on to the knife, and was stabbed through the heart.



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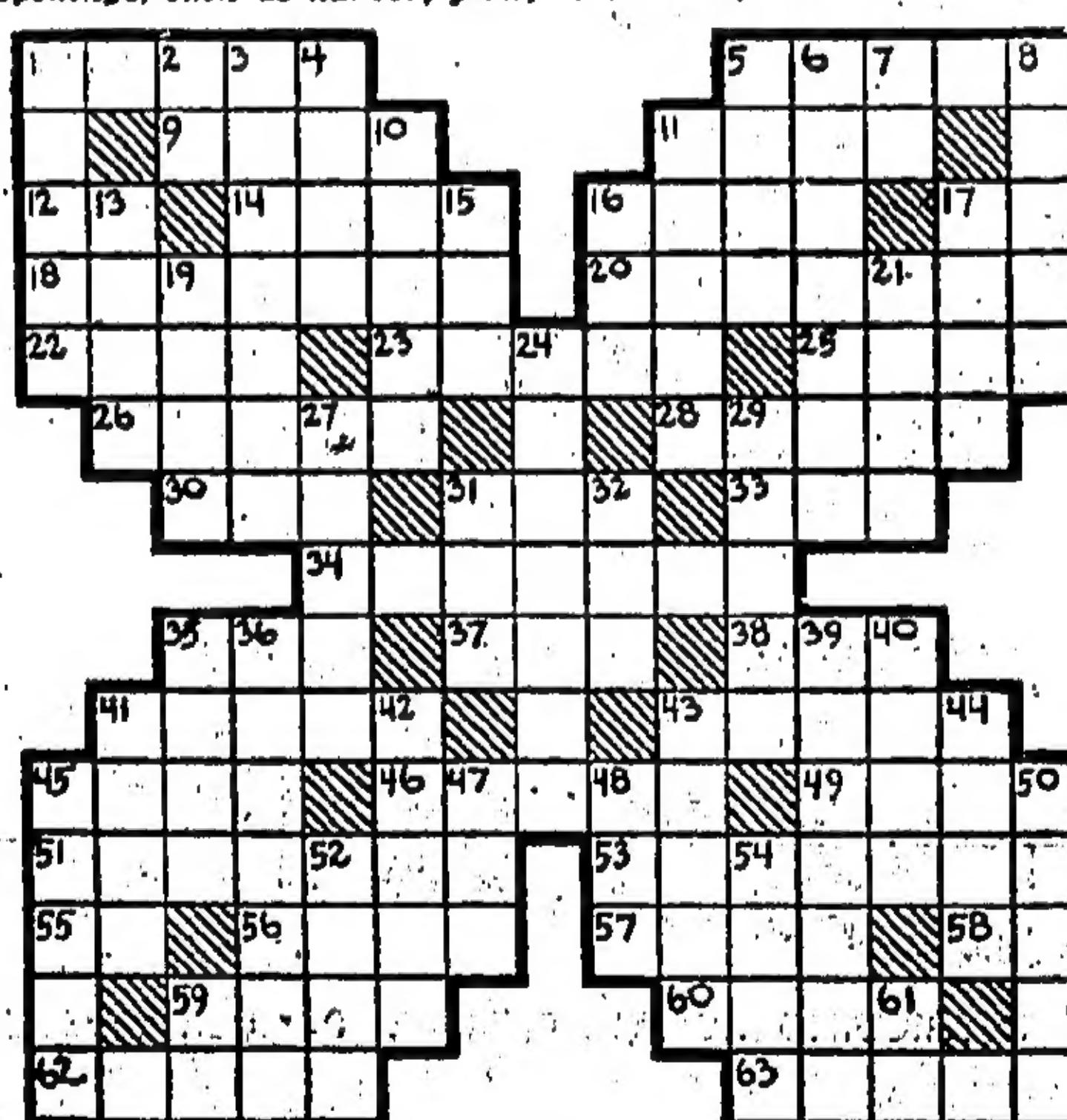
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## DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



## HORIZONTAL

1-One who attends a child  
2-Means  
3-Name  
4-Particular  
5-Editor (abbr.)  
6-Principal Egyptian  
7-geographical form  
8-Air  
17-Hawaiian Islands (abbr.)  
18-Brave  
20-Fore  
22-To break suddenly  
23-English town noted for woolen goods  
24-Ready (abbr.)  
25-View  
26-Tongue-like member (190)  
28-Navy Roman Empire (abbr.)  
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## HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

45-Remunerated  
46-An antiseptic solution  
47-River in Russia  
48-River in Egypt  
49-Agress  
50-Wander aimlessly  
51-Province of Canada (abbr.)  
52-River in Egypt  
53-Prefix Around  
54-No good (slang)  
55-A diminutive suffix  
56-Prefix Around  
57-Name  
58-Name  
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61-Name  
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## VERTICAL

1-Wants  
2-Musical note  
3-Light foot covering  
4-Otherwise  
5-Arm holding  
6-Having power to (slang)  
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## VERTICAL (Cont.)

15-Lair  
16-Sainte (abbr.)  
17-August  
18-Pronoun  
19-Ever  
20-The perfidious friend of Othello.  
21-Penetrated  
22-Freighter  
23-An Englishman who became a Pilgrim Father.  
24-Attorney (abbr.)  
25-Before  
26-Imitated  
27-Bacchus  
28-Growing animals  
29-Covering with tin  
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## RUSSIA'S £1,066,480,000 DEBT TO BRITAIN

### BALANCE OF TRADE BEING CONSIDERED

#### PROPOSAL TO TERMINATE PRESENT AGREEMENT.

In the House of Commons to-day several questions were put regarding Russia, and the President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Runciman, was asked if Government would consider terminating the Russian Trade Agreement, and entering into a new agreement whereby Russian imports would be limited to an amount equivalent to that of British manufactured goods exported to Russia, any excess to be subject to 33 1/3 per cent. duty, a portion of which should go to a compensation fund for British creditors. Mr. Runciman replied that the Government were considering the question of securing a more satisfactory balance of trade between Great Britain and Soviet Russia, but did not consider that the claims of British creditors against Russia could be satisfactorily dealt with in such way. They

were impressed by the large preponderance of Russian business in Great Britain in return for the comparatively small business Russia did with this country.

Replying to later questions, Major Elliott said that the amount owing by Russia to Great Britain was £1,066,480,000 and the amount of interest on the debt was £53,324,000.

**Fifty New Undertakings.**  
Questioned regarding Foreign firms who were opening factories in Great Britain as a result of the new tariff policy, Mr. Runciman said that fifty new undertakings had been set up during last few months. The majority were in or near London, and were, for most part, new businesses, but in a few instances they represented definite additions to existing businesses.—British Wireless Service.

### SHANGHAI PEACE PARLEYS.

#### Delegates to Resume Conference.

#### SIR MILES LAMPSON'S PROPOSAL SUCCESSFUL.

Shanghai, Yesterday. It is reported in Chinese circles that the Chinese and Japanese delegates, with neutral representatives, may meet to-morrow to consider the wording of a draft trade agreement.

However, it is pointed out that the meeting, if it takes place,

#### FOG OR MIST.

The Royal Observatory's weather report, for to-day, states:—

The anti-cyclone is central over the Pacific to the south-east of Tokyo.

Forecast:—E. winds, moderate; cloudy, some fog or mist.

will be considered apart and distinct from the recently suspended armistice negotiations.

**Advisory Capacity.**

While strict secrecy is being observed with regard to Sir Miles Lampson's compromise formula, it is reported that he suggested that the Shanghai Mixed Commission should not determine the date for the completion of the Japanese withdrawal but should act in a purely advisory capacity.

His proposal, it is stated, is

that the Commission should confine itself to advising the Japanese military authorities when, in its opinion, normal conditions enabling the withdrawal of the Japanese troops have been established.

#### Draft Agreement.

It is learned that the Sino-Japanese Armistice Conference will be resumed as soon as the Committee of Nineteen passes the resolution embodying the amendment to Clause XI, which the Japanese refused to accept in its original form.

In the meantime the Drafting Committee, consisting of Chinese, Japanese and British representatives, will meet to-morrow morning to revise the wording and put the final touches to the draft agreement, reached at the recent Armistice parleys at Shanghai.

**Quo Tai-chi Returns from  
Nanking.**

Mr. Quo Tai-chi and Sir Miles Lampson arrived in Shanghai from Nanking this morning.

While refusing to divulge the contents of Sir Miles Lampson's formula for solving the Sino-Japanese deadlock, Mr. Quo Tai-chi stated that the formula suggested a revision of the wording of Article XI of the draft resolution of the Assembly Commission and it has, according to Mr. Quo Tai-chi, been already accepted by the Chinese Government.

He stated that the resumption of negotiations depends on the outcome of to-day's meeting of the Assembly Commission of Nineteen, and that the arrival of the Ministers is no indication that negotiations will be renewed immediately.—Reuter.

### IRELAND AND THE OATH.

#### Repudiation of Treaty.

#### MR. THOMAS' VIEW.

London, Yesterday. An important development in the controversy over the Free State Oath of Allegiance was announced by Mr. J. H. Thomas, the Secretary of State for the Dominions, in the House of Commons to-day.

He declared that the Examination Bill introduced in the Day last week shows that it was designed not merely to remove the Oath of Allegiance but that it repeals Section II of the Free State Constitution, providing that the Anglo-Irish Treaty shall have the force of law, and any amendments to the Constitution affecting the Treaty shall be held void.

The Bill, he announced, also amends Article XV of the Constitution to enable amendments to the Constitution being made without being necessary to regard the terms of the Treaty.

Mr. Thomas commented that the text of the Bill confirms the general view of his despatch to Mr. de Valera on April 19, that the Bill constitutes a repudiation of the Anglo-Irish settlement.—Reuter.

### BRITISH TREATIES WITH CHINA.

#### Applicable to Manchuria.

London, Yesterday. Mr. Walter Runciman, the President of the Board of Trade, announced in the House of Commons to-day that the existing treaties with China are applicable to Manchuria.

He added that in the circumstances the question of special trade arrangements need not be considered.—Reuter.

### AMERICAN STEEL CORPORATION.

#### Quarterly Dividend on Common Stock.

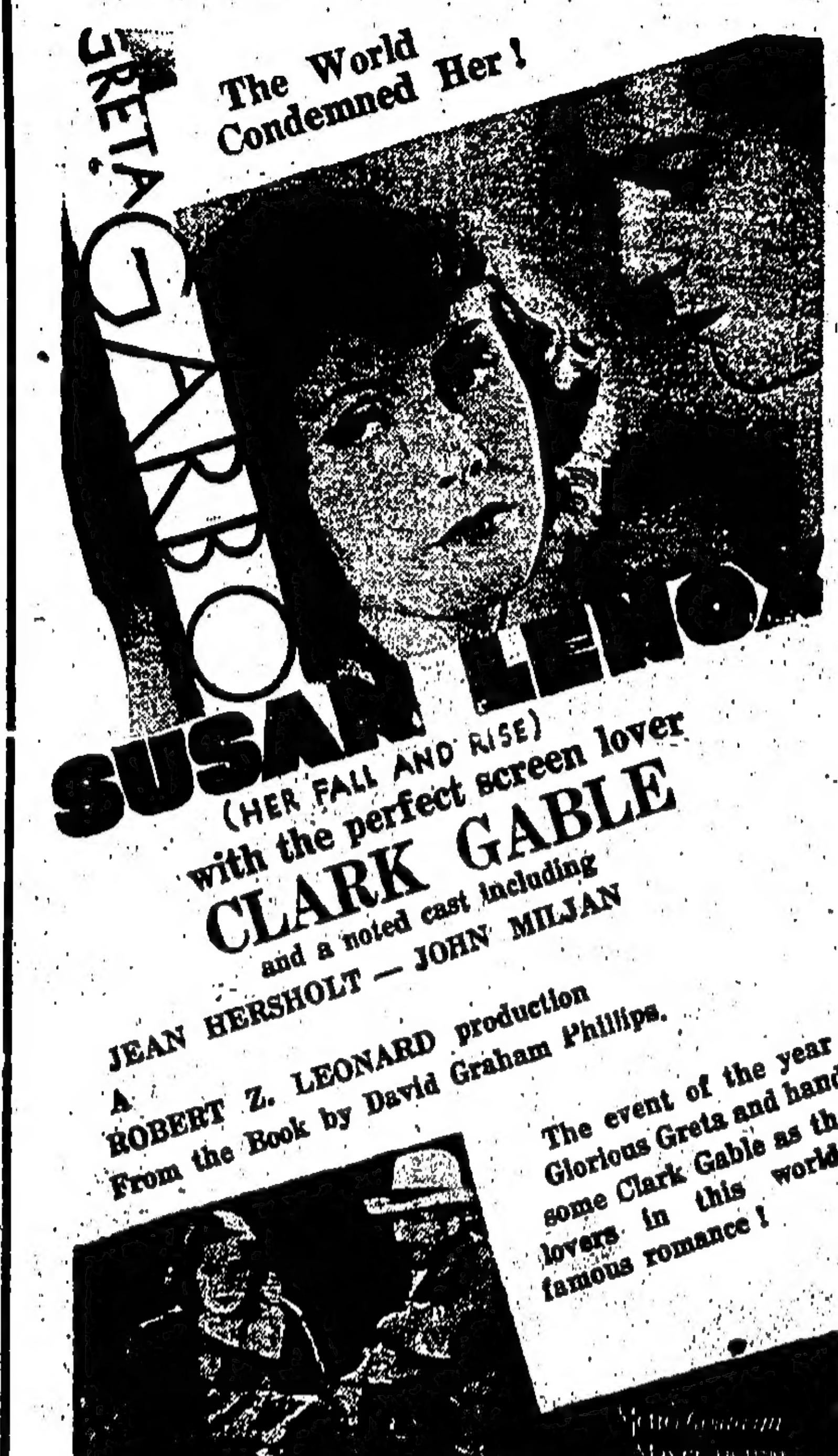
New York, Yesterday. For the first time since 1915 the United States Steel Corporation has passed a quarterly dividend on common stock, though the regular dividend of \$1.75 is declared on preferred stock.—Reuter.

### CHINESE MERCHANTS ARRESTED.

Harbin, Yesterday. It is reported that several local influential Chinese merchants have been arrested. No details are available.—Reuter.

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